5: Allen H-4 (no date) 1923 RH1 Caucasia RH1

Machabeli, who founded a daily paper. The style of this school was for the most part romantically patriotic, and it appealed primarily to the large and impoverished aristocratic class; but of all its disciples Ilia Chavchavadze alone had a following among the people. In general, the Russian Government had little to fear from the patriotic movement of the nobles; the majority of them served faithfully, some with distinction, in the Georgian regiments which played an important part in the Caucasian Campaign of 1877–8. Finally, the incorporation, in 1884, of the hitherto distinct Georgian army in the general military organisation of the Russian Empire marked the disappearance of the last remnant of the independence of the Georgian kingdom.

With the economic development of Transcaucasia the subversive social doctrines already spreading among the workmen of European Russia reached the Caucasus, and the Tiflis administration was confronted with a movement more real and more dangerous than the sentimental romanticism of the native princes. In 1870 European capital began to exploit Baku, and in the same year operations were begun at the great manganese deposits of Chiaturi. The construction of a railway line from Poti to Tiflis had been begun in 1867, and in 1883 this line was continued to Baku. In 1884 foreign capital, chiefly that of the Rothschilds, began to build a port at Batum. During the following thirty years the industrialisation of the Caucasus proceeded. Baku became one of the greatest petroleum centres of the world; further deposits of oil were exploited at Maikop and Grozni; another railway soon linked these towns with the Black Sea, the Caspian and Baku, and Russian, Armenian and foreign companies hastened to undertake the working of the rich manganese and copper deposits and the export of the silk, cotton, timber and wine of the country.

This sudden development soon produced the most complicated problems; antagonisms social and racial were presented in an acute form. The oil-towns were the foci of these antagonisms and the scene of the more sanguinary events of 1904–6, but the conditions there reacted on, and were reproduced in a lesser degree in, Georgia. Foreign capitalism was more than usually aggressive, as it believed itself to be operating in a new country where it was in a position to exploit cheap and inexhaustible supplies of uneducated native labour; and a sudden transition from feudalism to industrialism had created a labouring class the more dangerous because it could

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701 Georgia and Azerbaijan have no troops of their own; all troops in Transcaucasia are at the disposal of Soviet Russia.

There is a Special Caucasus Army at present in Transcaucasia (H.Q., Tiflis), composed of 1 Independent Cavalry Brigade (H.Q. uncertain), strength estimated at 1,000 sabres, and 8 Divisions (H.Q. Kutais, Baku or Lenkoran, Erivan or Alexandropol), each Division estimated at 4,700 rifles.

The above information is given for what it may be worth but, as formations are constantly changing, this Special Caucasus Army cannot be considered as of a definite composition. It merely corresponds to one of the 9 Military Districts into which Russia is at present divided.

532 2 Abegian, Mger Manukovich
1909- Armenian painter; studied in Erevan and Moscow. Famous works "Makravanskii peizazh, "1939; "V sadakh Armenii," 1945; "Vstuplenie I. V. Stalina na rabochem sobranii v Tiflise 18. okt. 1905 g."

BE II 1:16
v. 3, p. 90 (picture)

536 2 Abelian, Ovanes Artem'evich
1865-1936. Armenian actor; people's artist of Armenia and Azerbaidzhan; portrayed about 52 different roles in the famed Sundukian theater of Erevan (Oedipus rex; Egor Bulichev; Dr. Stockman, etc.).

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646 5 Abidokova, Mar'ian Magometovna
Cherkes. deputy Sov. Nats. VS SSSR 4. sozyv, 1954

Pravda, 3/18/54

701 3 Abilov, Makhmud Abdul-Rza ogly
646 Deputy to Sov. Nats. VS SSSR (4. sozyv, 1954). Born in Ukur, 1898- Rose from ordinary private to general of Red Army. Fought at Smolensk, Berlin. Rec'd Orders of Krasnoe znamia, Surorov, Kutuzov and foreign decorations.

Bak. Rab. 3/19/54. 2/20/54

7012 Avetisian, Unan Makichevich, (1914-1943) Geroi Sovet. Soiuz.; sergeant; took part and died in battle of Krasnodarskii krai.

BE II 1:70

5335 Avraamov, A. (1886-1944) Aul Batyr ouverture (first Kabardian instrumental composition) written by him. Collected folk songs (Kabardian) He is Soviet musician.

BE I 19:218
BE II

6653 Azaeva, Ch. A. Member of presidium CC CP Azerb. SSR, 21. s'ezd, 1956.

Bak. Rab. 1/26/56

5323 Azim-Zade, A. (1880-1943) Caricaturist, journalist; contributed to paper Molla Nasredin; drew many posters. Did the famous sketches: 100 tipov starogo Baku. Was director of Azerb. art inst.

BE II 1:490, 474.

7: Columbia U. S-4,5 1956 RHl CaucasiaRHl

538 4 Bagraev, Sozur Kurmanovich
1888-1928. Poet of Sev. Oset. oblast'. Wrote in Digor dialect Dver' serdtsa, lyric poems, 1908

BE II 4:25

• 701 2 Bagramian, Ivan Khristoforovich
646 1897- in Kirovabad. Began as squadron commander in Ararat valley, 1922. Finished Frunze acad. mil. in Moscow. 1941 col. in Ukraine; 1943 cracked Bryansk front; became asst. chief of Timoshenko; fought at Khar'kov. Order of Kutuzov; commander of Baltic army (the only non-Russian to command a Red Army front-Curr. Biogr.) Won victory at Vitebsk, January 27, 1944. Deputy to VS SSSR 1-3 sozyv. Deputy chief of staff 1941 1945.

BE II 4:25
Curr. Biogr. 1944, p. 27-28
Curr. Digest news 9'55, 8-10

2322 Bagratian, Malkhas Galustovich
645 Stalin prize 3. class, 1950 for new breed of rabbits. Minister of Agriculture Arm. SSR, 1950

Laur. Stalin prem. 1950
p. 59

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665 2 Piskunov, Petr Vasilievich
Deputy Sov. Nats. VS SSSR, 4. sozyv, 1954. Member CC CP Arm. SSR, 17.-18. s'ezd, 1954, 1956

Kom. Er. 3/19/54, 1/22/56

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701 3 Pliev, Issa Aleksandrovich
Deputy to Sov. Soiuz VS SSSR (4. s'ezd, 1954) Born in Sev. Ost. ASSR, 1902- Col. gen., fought in Hungary, Austria, Japan, in World War II; deputy VS SSSR 2.-3. sozyv. Member CC CP Azerb. SSR.

Bak. Rab. 3/18/54

665
3 Plotnikov, A. K.
CC CP Azerb. SSR, 20. s'ezd, 1954.

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4 Podvarko, Aleksei Grigor'evich
Dag. deputy Sov. Nats. VS SSSR 4. sozyv, 1954

Pravda 3/18/54

665
2 Poladian, A. K.
Member CC CP Arm. SSR, 18. s'ezd, 1956

Kom. Er. 1/22/56